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SUBJ: OFFICIAL COMMENT ON INDIAN NUCLEAR EXPLOSION; PORTUGAL;  
MIDDLE EAST

REF:COLOMBO 1538 (NOTAL)

1. IN PRESS CONFERENCE JUNE 13, DEPUTY MINISTER OF  
DEFENCE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS, LAKSHMAN JAYAKODY, REITERATED  
GSL'S ACCEPTANCE OF MRS. GANDHI'S ASSURANCE THAT INDIAN  
EXPLOSION WAS FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES. JAYAKODY EXPANDED ON  
GSL'S STANCE WHEN, IN REPLY TO REPORTER'S QUESTION  
AS TO WHAT GSL RESPONSE WOULD BE IF INDIA DECIDED TO TURN  
TO DEVELOPMENT OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS, HE SAID "WEL WILL  
HAVE TO EXPRESSOUR PROTEST BECAUSE WE ARE TOTALLY  
OPPOSED TO IT". JAYAKODY ALSO SAID, IN RESPONSE TO  
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ANOTHER QUESTION, THAT INDIAN DEVELOPMENT OF NUCLEAR

WEAPONS WOULD DFEAT OBJECTIVES OF INDIAN OCEAN PEACE  
ZONE PROPOSAL.

2. JAYAKODY SAID GSLIS HAPPY OVER RECENT  
DEVELOPMENTS IN PORTUGAL AND NOTED TWO COUNTIES  
HAD EXCHANGED NATIONAL DAY MESSSAGES AFTER NOT DOING  
SO FOR CONSIDERABLE TIME. HE ADDED THAT SRI LANKA  
WELCOMES INDICATIONS THAT PORTUGUESE-HELD TERRITORIES  
IN AFRICA WOULD BE GIVEN CHANGE FOR SELF-DETERMINATION.

3. ON MIDDLE EAST, JAYAKODY SAID SRI LANKA WELCOMES  
PEACE MOVES. HE ALSO REPESTED GSL POSITION THAT  
THERE MUST BE INDEPENDENT HOMELAND FOR PALESTINIAN  
PEOPLE.  
VAN HOLLEN

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